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I'LL ASK YOU NICELY... PLEASE DON'T GET IN OUR WAY.
IF YOU DO WELL
I WON'T HOLD BACK, EVEN AGAINST A COWORKER.
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COWOR-KER...
THAT MEANS...
THAT THIS GIRL IS ALSO...
A DEMON SLAYER...!?

MY NAME IS SAKASAI SUZUNA.
I WILL...
DESTROY ALL THE DEMONS!

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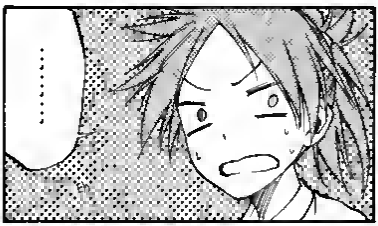
I WILL SLAY ALL THE DEMONS!
NO.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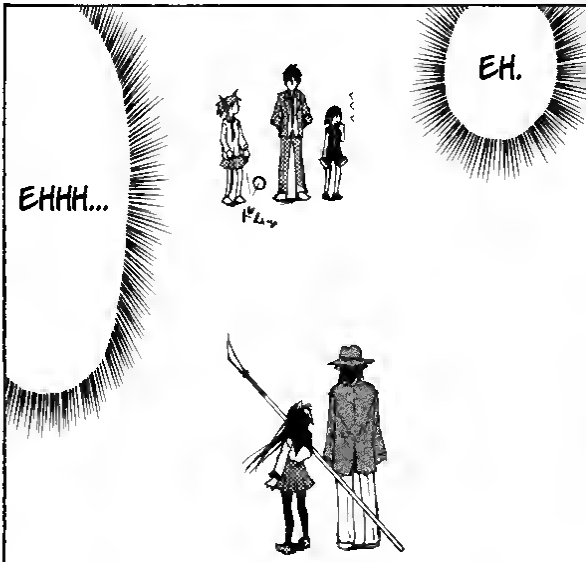
SO, WHAT?
THAT'S WHERE THEY DRAW THE LINE!?
AND WHAT'S UP WITH THAT SMUG LOOK!?
Ehh~


EHHH...
EH.

SUZUNA.
Get ahold of yourself
So stubborn about the stupidest things, this idiot!!
Ahahaha
WHY, YOU LITTLE...
GRRR RR...
Whad' ya think, he's a riot, isn't he!!
AHA HAHA.
SO THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE UPSET ABOUT
STEALING MY THUNDER...!
SAYING SOMETHING STUPID LIKE THAT AND...
I WON'T LET YOU INTERFERE, NO MATTER WHAT.
WELL, WELL FINE.
BUT TONIGHT, I'M GOING TO BE THE ONE TO TAKE DOWN THE DEMON!
YOU COULDN'T ANYWAYS!
This girl doesn't back down.
BECAUSE,

I'M STRONGER THAN YOU.
YOU SEE...
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SO,
SHOULDN'T YOU PERHAPS LISTEN TO WHAT I SAY?
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WHAT, JUST NOW ...?
...EH.
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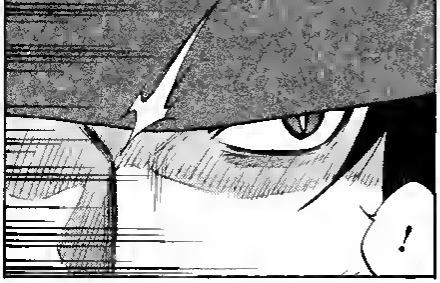
I SEE.
THIS KID'S POWER...
SHE SPECIALIZES IN AGILITY...!
EVEN THOUGH SENJU IS VERY GOOD AT REASONING
HIS AGILITY IS NOT VERY WELL DEVELOPED
IF HE WERE TO LET HIS [illegible] DOWN, HE WOULD BE DONE FOR.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SUZUNA
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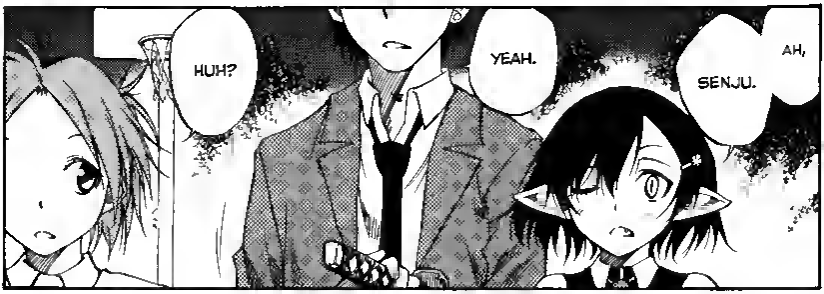
HUH?
YEAH.
AH, SENJU.

WHAT...?
HM?

YOU.
WHOA!?

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AH, A DEMON...
LIKE I SAID BEFORE,
"A DEMON HAS APPEARED," BUT...
YOU KNOW,

SHE'S GOT...
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THAT'S SOME POWER...

DON'T BE TOO WORRIED.
WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM !?
BUT THOSE GUYS...

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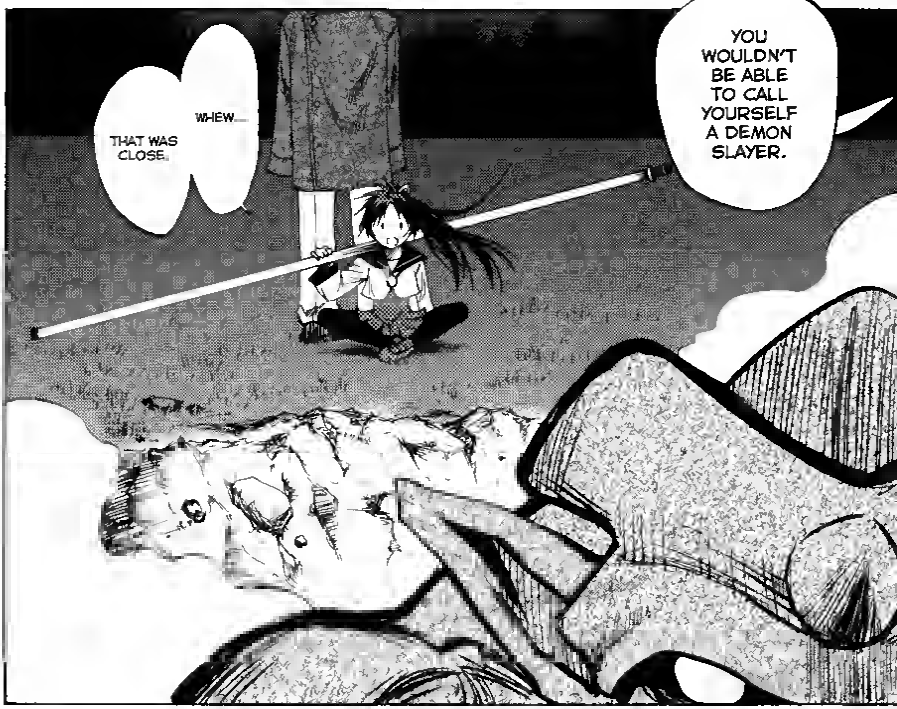
IF YOU WENT DOWN THAT EASILY,


YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO CALL YOURSELF A DEMON SLAYER.
WHEW...
THAT WAS CLOSE.

TONIGHT'S A FISH IN A BARREL.
SO HE'S SHOWED HIMSELF...

THEIR INFORMATION NETWORK IS NO JOKE.
BUT THE FACT THAT THEY ALSO KNEW, MEANS...
IT WAS A COINCIDENCE THAT YOU KIDS WERE PLAYING HERE, THOUGH
OF COURSE
DID YOU HAVE INFO ON THIS?
YOU COULDN'T SURVIVE IN THIS LINE OF WORK.
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IF YOU DON'T AT LEAST HAVE THAT,
YEAH, WELL...
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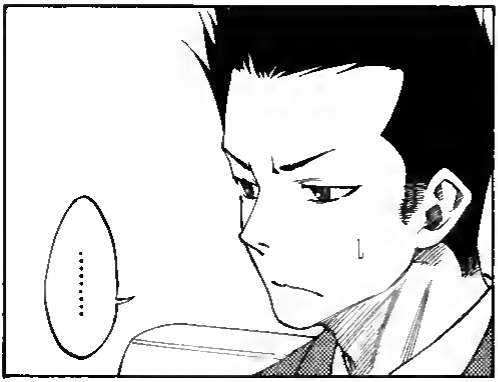
NOW,
TIME TO GET TO WORK!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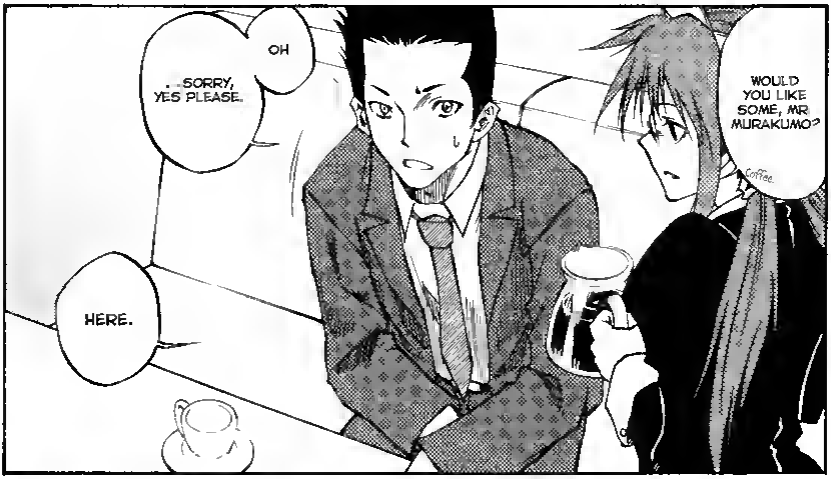
OH
. SORRY, YES PLEASE.
HERE.
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME, MR MURAKUMO?
Coffee

WERE TO KILL A DEMON,
THEY WOULD BECOME A DEMON THEMSELVES.

IF A DEMON SLAYER
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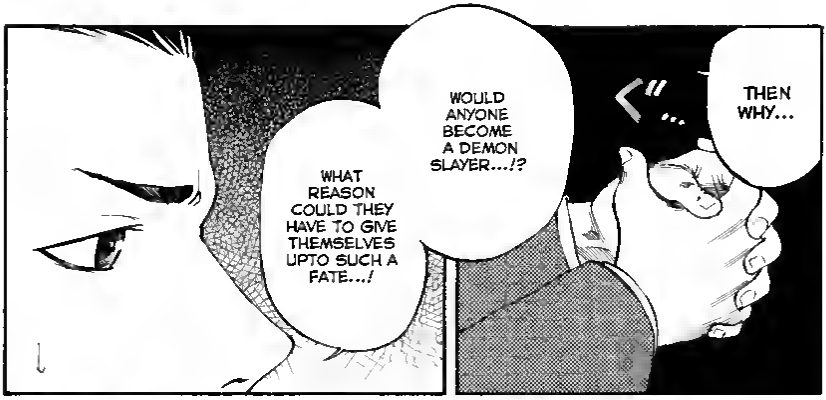
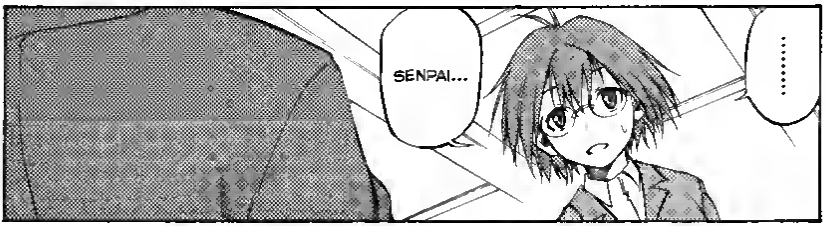
THAT'S NOT THE ONLY RISK OF BEING A DEMON SLAYER...
OF COURSE,

THE MORE POWER THEY DRAW FROM THEM,
THE MORE LIKE A DEMON THEY BECOME.
EVEN IF THEY DON'T KILL DEMONS...
A DEMON SLAYER BORROWS THEIR POWER FROM DEMONS...
SO IT WAS THE DEMONS' POWER TO BEGIN WITH.

"THE DEMON SLAYER WILL BECOME A DEMON."
THAT'S THE WAY IT WORKS.
KILL A DEMON, AND THE CHANGE IS IMMEDIATE. EVEN IF THEY DON'T KILL DEMONS, EVENTUALLY,


THEN WHY...
WOULD ANYONE BECOME A DEMON SLAYER...!?
WHAT REASON COULD THEY HAVE TO GIVE THEMSELVES UPTO SUCH A FATE...!


SENPAI...
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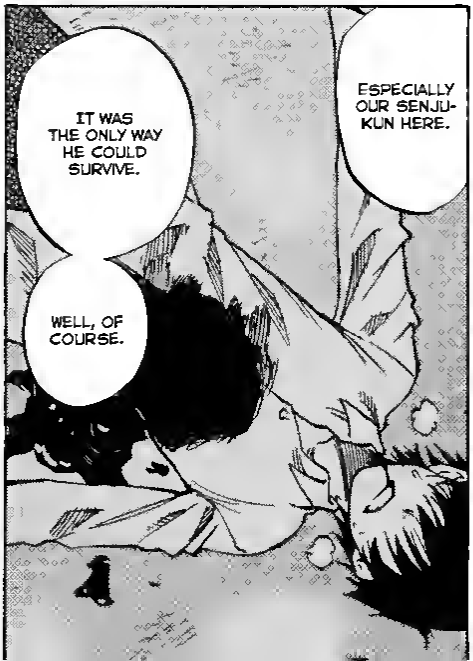
ESPECIALLY OUR SENJU-KUN HERE.
IT WAS THE ONLY WAY HE COULD SURVIVE.
WELL, OF COURSE.

...HMMM.
I GUESS... PEOPLE HAVE THEIR REASONS?
MOST OF THEM HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.

REQUIRES A GREAT DEAL OF FORTITUDE.
WHOEVER THEY MAY BE... TO CHOOSE THE PATH OF A DEMON SLAYER...

AHA.
OVER HERE, OVER HERE~
YAH!!

HUH?
I GUESS
ALL HE'S GOT IS SIZE.
SO,
WHOA

KONGOU!!
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THIS GUY..

LIKE I TOLD YOU BEFORE, SUZUNA,
YOU CAN'T ESCAPE ATTACKS IN MID-AIR.
THAT'S RIGHT.
SORRY.
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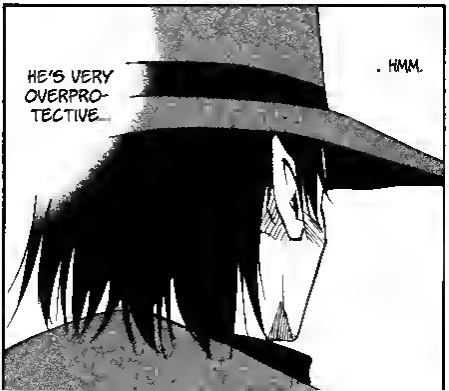
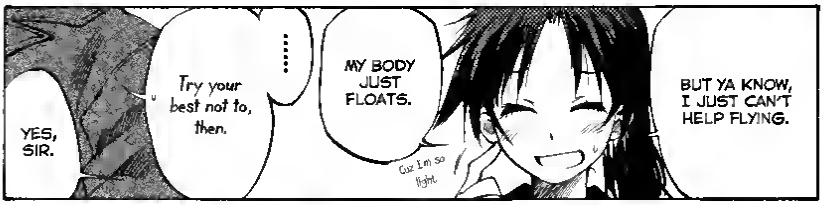

. HMM.
HE'S VERY OVERPRO-TECTIVE...

TAKE STOCK OF WHAT'S AROUND YOU.
THINK OF WHAT YOU CAN DO.
HOW YOU CAN USE YOUR STRENGTHS.
AND MINIMIZE YOUR WEAKNESSES.


BUT YA KNOW, I JUST CAN'T HELP FLYING.
MY BODY JUST FLOATS.
Cuz I'm so light.
Try your best not to, then.
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YES, SIR.

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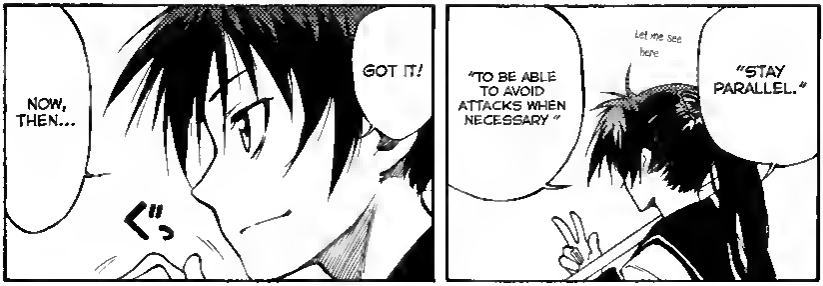
NOW, THEN...
GOT IT!
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"TO BE ABLE TO AVOID ATTACKS WHEN NECESSARY."
Let me see here
"STAY PARALLEL."

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KEEPING THAT IN MIND...!!

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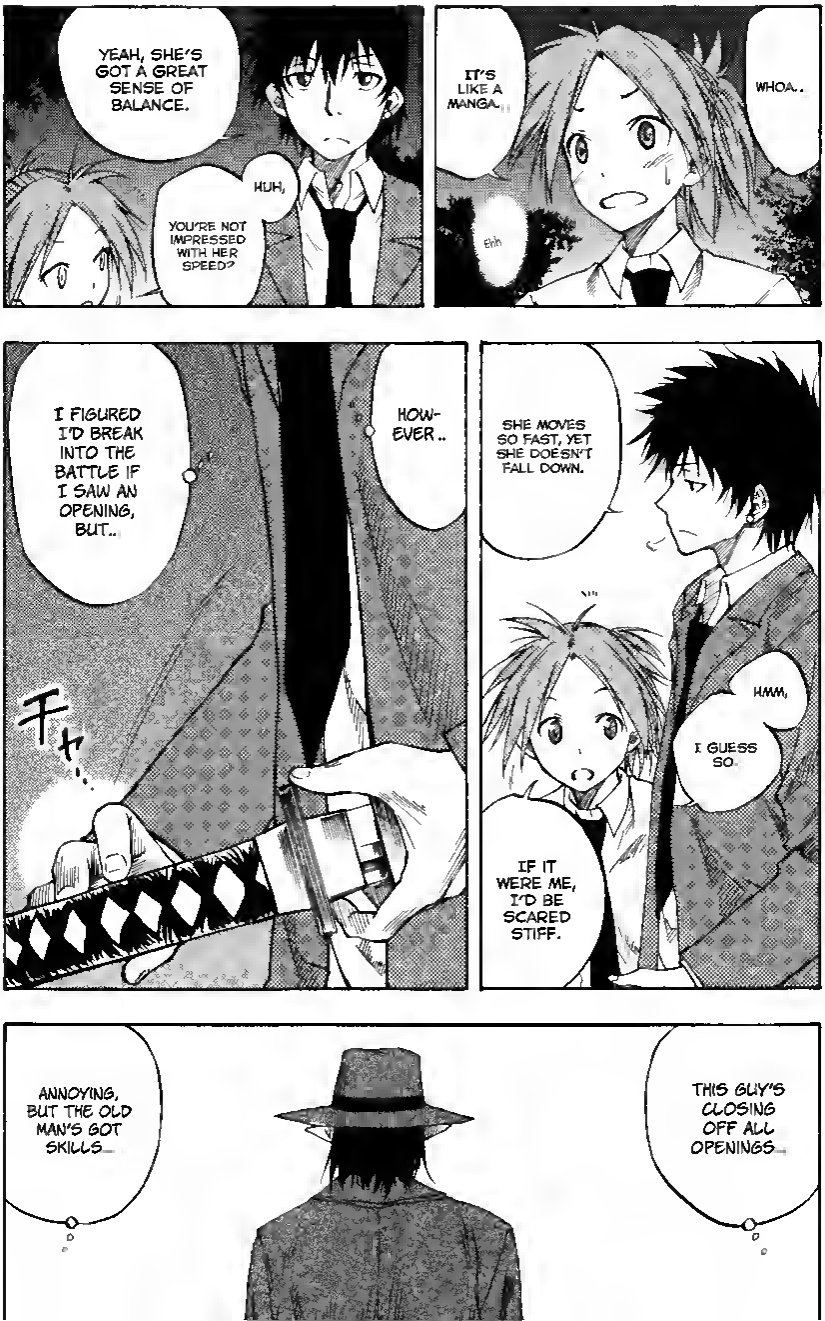
YEAH, SHE'S GOT A GREAT SENSE OF BALANCE.
HUH,
YOU'RE NOT IMPRESSED WITH HER SPEED?
IT'S LIKE A MANGA...
WHOA..
Ehh
I FIGURED I'D BREAK INTO THE BATTLE IF I SAW AN OPENING, BUT..
HOW-EVER..
SHE MOVES SO FAST, YET SHE DOESN'T FALL DOWN.
HMM,
I GUESS SO.
IF IT WERE ME, I'D BE SCARED STIFF.
ANNOYING, BUT THE OLD MAN'S GOT SKILLS...
THIS GUY'S CLOSING OFF ALL OPENINGS...

SUZUNA
……

BUT YOU KNOW.
AT THIS RATE, THE FIGHT WILL NEVER END
SHE'S USING HER SPEED AND LONG REACH TO CARVE AWAY LITTLE BY LITTLE. BUT...
IF YOU CAN'T REACH THE DEMON CORE, YOU CAN'T TAKE DOWN THE DEMON.

SOME FINISHING MOVE...
SHE'S GOT TO HAVE SOMETHING UP HER SLEEVE...
OF THIS "SPEED" OF MINE
BY NOW, YOU'VE GOT A "FEELING"
IF YOUR BODY REMEMBERS, THAT'S ENOUGH!
YOU MIGHT NOT HAVE ANYTHING IN THAT HEAD OF YOURS, BUT

SHE DROVE STRAIGHT FOR HIM!!
BUT,
AT THIS RATE, HE'S GOING TO...

THAT'S RIGHT
THE DEMON CAN CATCH ME!
BUT——
WITH THE TIMING OF A PERFECT HOME RUN SWING!!

HE CAN'T CATCH ME AT MY "TOP SPEED"!!

AH.
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NO.
SHE GOT HIM...
SHE MISSED.
LOOKS LIKE HER TOP SPEED THROWS HER AIM OFF A LITTLE.

SUZUNA!!

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TCHED
...
HIS
ARM..
SO THIS IS
YOUR POWER.
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I SEE.

YEAH,
MY POWER ISN'T MY AGILITY.
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IT'S MY PURE STRENGTH.

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THIS IS WHY WE CAME UP WITH A STRATEGY.
IT'S MY STRENGTH THAT SHE'S DRAWING

AND TAUGHT HER TO FIGHT FROM A DISTANCE WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
THAT'S WHY WE DEVELOPED HER POWERS OF AGILITY, GAVE HER A LONG DISTANCE WEAPON,
BUT... IT'S TOO DANGEROUS FOR HER TO BE FIGHTING IN CLOSE COMBAT.
MY GIFT TO SUZUNA WAS MY RIGHT ARM.

OH,
I GUESS THE DEMON DIDN'T HEAR ME.
I THOUGHT I SAID SO EARLIER.
HER POWER IS HER LAST LINE OF DEFENSE.
IF SHE USES HER STRENGTH,
NO ONE CAN BEAT HER.
I WILL...
DESTROY ALL THE DEMONS.

UGH,
THIS FEELING ...
IT DISGUSTS ME...

AH,
I FORGOT TO ASK YOUR NAME.
UMMM...
YOU GET IT?

I'M STRONGER THAN YOU.
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AH... IT DOESN'T MATTER.
THE POINT IS,

WHY DON'T YOU JUST LEAVE THIS AREA TO ME?
SO...

'CUZ I'M GONNA...
DESTROY ALL THE DEMONS.

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AH, WAIT UP, KISAKI-KUN.
I'M GOING HOME.
It's nighttime.

CAN I ASK YOUR NAME?
EXCUSE ME, YOU THERE.
?
KISAKI?
KISAKI SENJU.

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KONGOU?
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SO THIS IS...
...I SEE.

THE SON OF
KISAKI SEIJI...